

## SBOI-016 PAINTBALL REQUIREMENTS

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With hundreds of paintballs traveling over 200 miles per hour across the field, there is only one thing that will protect your eyes from severe injury; your goggles and mask system. The statistics say it all, more than 99% of all serious paintball injuries occur when players use the wrong type of goggles, or no goggles at all. The Fort Riley Bunker One Paintball Course requires an individual to wear approved goggles by the American Society for Testing and Material (ASTM). There are a few basic rules to paintball gun safety.

First and foremost, never wear anything but approved goggles, or mask systems that are specifically used with paintball guns.

Never wear shop, ski, military, or motor-cross goggles.

Never remove your goggles on the field, or in the elimination zone.

When you are eliminated from the playing field, call "Out" as loud as possible, raise your hand and walk off the field. Do not remove your goggles, or mask system until you are back at the safe zone or in the staging area-

Don't argue with the referees or judges. If a referee calls you out, simply leave the playing field. The refs are there to help you have fun and to keep it safe. Listen to them at all time.

Never fire your paintball gun when there are people near you (this includes yourself) not wearing the proper paintball approved goggles.

Never fire your paint-gun when you are in the designated safe zone, or anywhere that is not on the playing fields.

Make sure your barrel-plug is in your barrel at all times when not on the playing field.

Finally, always keep the safety in the "safe" position and if your gun has a power feed, keep it in the "off" mode when not playing the game.

According to American Sports Data Inc., paintball has recently moved ahead of snowboarding as the fourth largest alternative sport in the United States. In order to keep the Fort Riley Bunker One Paintball Course safe as possible we must take responsibly and ensure that we wear the proper safety gear and follow all local rules.